

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING  
CITY OF MONTICELLO  
BOARD OF WORKS & SAFETY  
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2009**

The special meeting of the Board of Works and Safety, of the City of Monticello, Indiana, was held on Thursday, February 26, 2009, at 4:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jason Thompson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call, by Clerk Treasurer Liz Oilar, was answered by Board Members Mayor Jason Thompson, Mike Keever, and Phil Vogel, and City Attorney George Loy.

**Consideration of Disciplinary Action for Alleged Misconduct of City Employee**

Mayor Thompson stated that the Board held an Executive Session on Friday, February 20, 2009, to just receive information for alleged misconduct of a City Employee at the Police Department. Today, the Board will decide on further disciplinary action, if any, for Officer Jeff Hunt. Board member Mike Keever asked if Chief Blount or Officer Hunt had anything to add to today's proceedings. No one did at this time. Board member Keever stated that he has gone over the previous testimony and has talked to several of the officers in the department. He stated that he has come to the difficult decision that further discipline is in order. Board member Phil Vogel stated that he did not have anything else to say. The Board had the initial hearing and executive session, and he listened to all the facts and has nothing else personally to say. Mayor Thompson asked if anyone in the audience had anything to add. There was no response. City Attorney George Loy asked if the Board had any questions for him. He stated that the Board and public are aware that Officer Hunt is currently on paid administrative leave. There was an unpaid suspension of five days. The additional discipline, if any, would be suspension, paid or unpaid, or dismissal. The specific reasons for suspension or dismissal are sent forth by statute. If there is additional discipline imposed the Officer has a right to request a hearing. This would be done in writing. Officer Hunt is currently still serving under administrative leave with pay. The Board's options are to terminate that and have him return to duty, or further discipline, which by statute would be further suspension or dismissal. Board member Mike Keever had a few questions for George about further discipline. Mayor Thompson made the motion to have Officer Hunt dismissed from the Monticello Police Department for insubordination, conduct unbecoming a police officer, and absence without leave, seconded by Board member Phil Vogel. There was discussion by Board member Mike Keever about the discipline if a hearing was requested. It can't be increased, but can be amended. There was no further discussion. All ayes, motion carried. City Attorney addressed Officer Hunt and told him he will be receiving a notice for an opportunity for a hearing to which he may or may not respond.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 4:09 p.m.

Liz Oilar, Clerk Treasurer